Statement

Sl.No.	Name of drug	Name of Producer	Whether prodn monitored by Deptt.	Production of last three years 83-84	84-85	85-86
1	Vitamin B1 . .	IDPL	Yes	42.79 (figure	49.22 in	58.41 tonnes)
		Chem. & Aeromatic	Yes	4.71 (figure	3.58 in	tonnes)
2	Vitamin B6 . .	IDPL & Lupin	No.	Not monitored		
3	Vitamin B12	Merind	Yes	95.66 (figure	94.61 in	143.58 Kgs)
		Themis Chemical	Yes	22.89 (figure	37.88 in	33.39 Kgs.)

Production and Import of Ethylstrenol etc.

54. SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAKODKAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2667 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st March, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Ethylstrenol, Nandrolone Phenyl Propionate and Decanoate are allowed for import under open General Licence;

(b) whether his Ministry has worked out the estimated demand for 1988 for each of these drugs;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether it is a fact that each of these drugs is licensed to be produced in the country;

(e) if so, the licensed capacity sanctioned to each along with the names of producers and installed capacity of each;

(f) whether it is a fact that multinational drug companies have a monopoly of finished medicines based on these drugs; and

(g) if so, names of the major selling brands of each drug along with the composition price of each and name of manufacturer?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Details to the extent available are given below. Production of these drugs is not monitored by this Ministry.

Name of Item	Name of Company	Licensed Capacity
Ethylstrenol	Infar (I) Ltd.	30 Kgs
Nandrolone Phenyl Propionate . . .	Do.	*88.05 Kgs
Nandrolone Decanoate	Do.	*88.05 Kgs

(* Overall capacity for a number of items)

(f) and (g) Production of formulations is not monitored. Hence these details are not available.

Reduction of prices of Medicines

55. SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAKODKAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2643 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st March, 1988 and state:

(a) what is the percentage of reduction in prices of medicines which the manufacturers did due to the intervention of his Ministry;

(b) what was the price of each medicine before the announcement of DPCO, 1987; and what is the present price and what is the percentage decrease in each medicine after the reduction in prices;

(c) whether it is a fact that drug companies have increased the prices of number of medicines during the last two months; and

(d) the names of the medicines for which price has come to the notice of his Ministry during the last two months along with the earlier price, increased price and percentage in each case?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) The information to the extent available is given in the enclosed statement (*See* below).

(c) As per provisions of DPCO, 1987, the manufacturers of non-scheduled formulations are free to revise the prices of their products, however Government is keeping a watch and acts wherever necessary.

(d) The required details in the question are quite voluminous and are not readily available. The time and effort required for collection of these will not be commensurate with the results likely to be achieved.